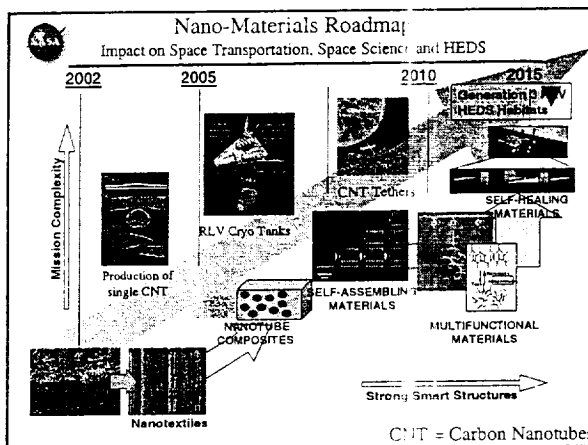
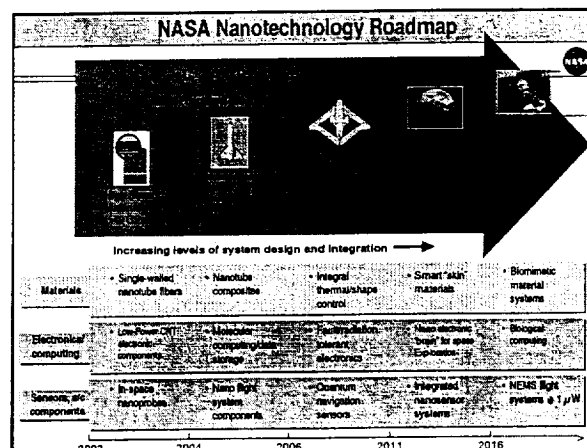


Computational Nanotechnology of Nanotubes, Composites and Electronics

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Carbon Nanotube

CNT is a tubular form of carbon with diameter as small as 1 nm. Length: few nm to microns.

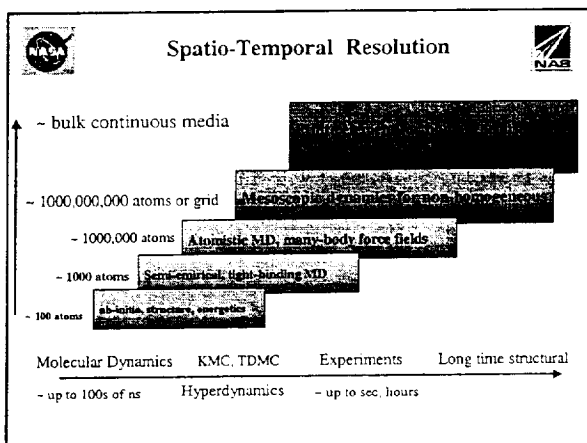
CNT is configurationally equivalent to a two dimensional graphene sheet rolled into a tube.

CNT exhibits extraordinary mechanical properties: Young's modulus over 1 Tera Pascal, as stiff as diamond, and tensile strength ~ 200 GPa.

CNT can be metallic or semiconducting, depending on chirality.

Computational Nanotechnology Projects Collaborators (Acknowledgement)

- Nanomechanics of Nanotubes and Nanotube+Polymer Composites
→ Dr. Chengyu Wei (Postdoc), Prof. K. Cho (Stanford University)
- Chemical Functionalization, Thermal Conductivity, Gas Storage
→ Prof. Don Brenner (NC State), Prof. M. Osman (Washington State)
- Molecular Electronics with Nanotube Hetero-junctions
→ Dr. Madhu Menon (U. Ky) and Dr. Antonis Andrioutsos (U. Crete)
- Quantum Computing with Doped Bucky Onion and Fullerenes
→ Seongjun Park (Student), Prof. K. Cho (Stanford)
- Genetic Algorithm based Searches for New Molecular Force Field
→ Al Globus (NASA Ames)



Nanomechanics Examples: Nanotubes

- High value of Young's Modulus (1.2-1.3 TPa for SWNTs)
- Elastic limit up to 10-15% strain

Computer Simulations: Characterization of New Materials!

Experimental validation: Nanotubes in Composites

- Experiment: buckling and collapse of nanotubes embedded in polymer composites.

Buckle, bend and loops of thick tubes...

Local collapse or fracture of thin tubes.

New Prediction: Anisotropic Plastic Collapse

BN at 14.75% Compression

Nanostructured skin effect !

Computer Simulations Generating new IP !

Bridging the Spatio-Temporal Scales

Example: Yielding of Nanotube under Tension

Simulation: 30% yielding strain from fast strain rate (1/ps) molecular dynamics simulations (B. Yakobson et al. 1997)

Experiments: 6% maximum strain in SWCNT ropes; 12% maximum strain in MWCNTs ?

11.5% tensile strained (10,0) T=1600K

9% tensile strained (5,5) T=2400K

Spatio-temporal dependence

- yielding: strongly dependent on the strain rate and temperature !

- Linear dependence on the temperature of the yielding strain vs strain rate - activated process

Transition State Theory Derived Formula

$$\epsilon_y = \frac{1}{\nu} \ln \left(\frac{\dot{\epsilon}}{\nu} \right) + \frac{1}{\nu} \ln \left(\frac{1}{\nu} \right) + \frac{1}{\nu} \ln \left(\frac{1}{\nu} \right)$$

-Experimental feasible conditions: length ~ 1µm; strain rate ~ 1/hour; T ~ 300K

⇒ Yield strain: $9 \pm 1\%$, Experiments: 6-12% strain for SWNT ropes

C. Wei, K. Cho and D. Srivastava, submitted Phys. Rev. Lett.

Polymer-CNT composite


- Structural and thermal properties
- Load transfer and mechanical properties

SEM images of epoxy-CNT composite


SEM images of polymer (polyvinylalcohol) ribbon contained CNT fibers & knotted CNT fibers

(L.S. Schadler et al. Appl. Phys. Lett. V73 P3842, 1998)


(B. Vigolo et al. Science V290 P1331, 2000)




Thermal Characterization of Nanotubes and Polymer-Nanotube Composites

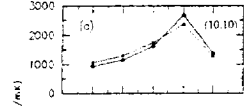


- Thermal conductivity of single-wall nanotubes
- Nanotube/polymer composites as high thermal expansion coefficient materials
- Thermal conductivity of nanotube/polymer composite

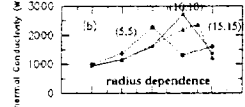


Temperature Dependence of Thermal Conductivity of Carbon Nanotubes

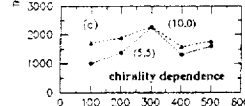




- Thermal peak position has a strong dependence on the radius of the tube and weak dependence on chirality




- Typical peak thermal conductivity is about 2000-3000 W/mK




- High thermal conductivity material with highly directional heat-flow and weak dependence on chirality

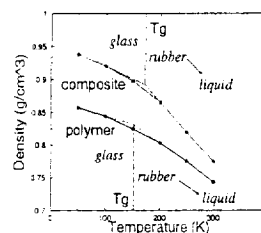
M. Osman and D. Srivastava, Nanotechnology, Vol. 12, 21 (2001)



High Thermal Expansion Coefficient Composite



Small system: L/D=2, Np=10




Results:

-Glass transition temperature Tg increased from 150K to 170 K


-Thermal expansion coefficients: (K⁻¹)

	PE	PE-CNT	
T < Tg	3.8 × 10 ⁻⁴	4.5 × 10 ⁻⁴	↑18%
T > Tg	8.6 × 10 ⁻⁴	1.20 × 10 ⁻³	↑40%

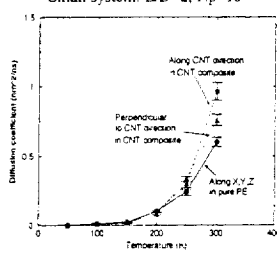
(Experimental value: 1.0 × 10⁻⁴ K⁻¹, T < Tg)



Thermal Diffusion coefficients



Small system: L/D=2, Np=10




Diffusion coefficients of polymer with CNTs embedded


Diffusion coefficient increased, especially along CNT axis direction, indicating enhancement of thermal conductivity

- Experiments on diffusivity in ABS/CNT & RTV/CNT show larger increase (Rick Berrera's group at Rice University)

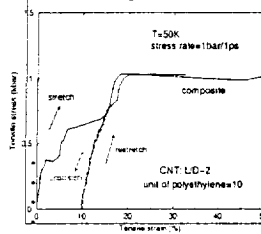
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Loading sequence




Work hardening of composite with stretching




TEM images of alignment of CNTs in a polymer matrix by stretching



(L. Jin et al., Appl. Phys. Lett., 73, 1919, 1998)

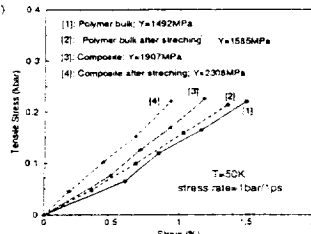


Young's Modulus

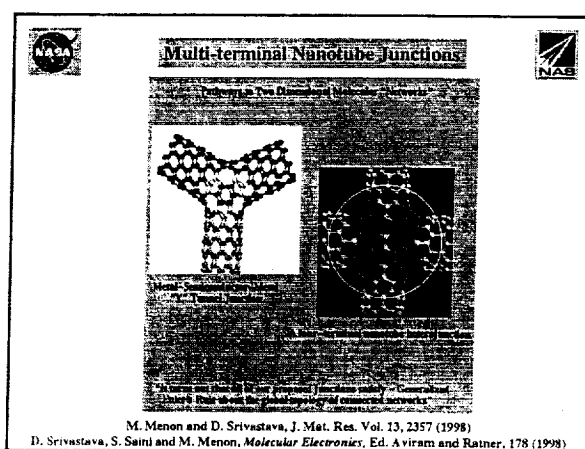
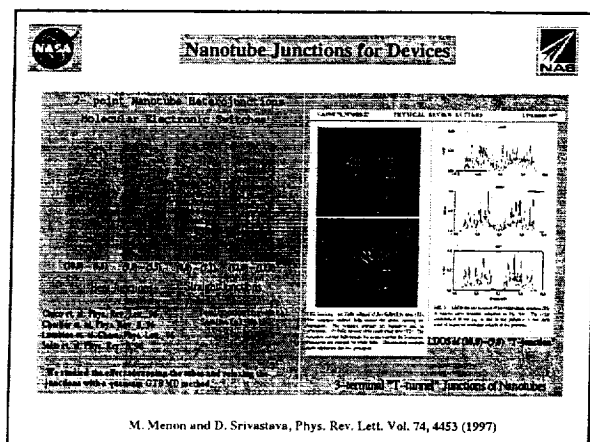
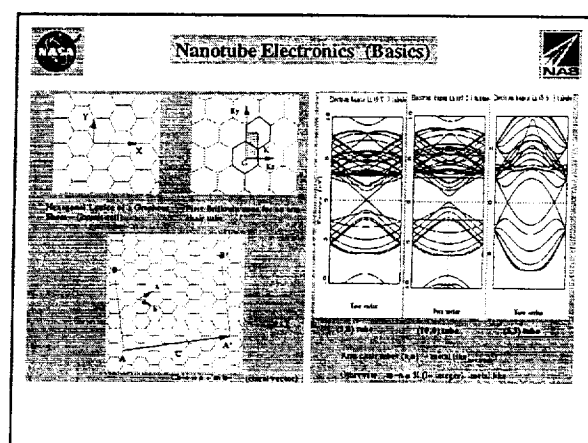
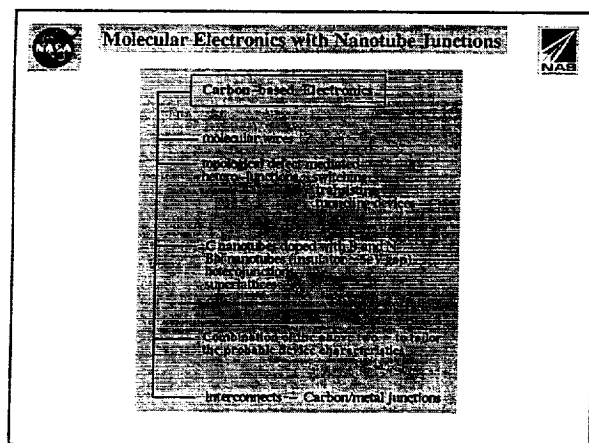
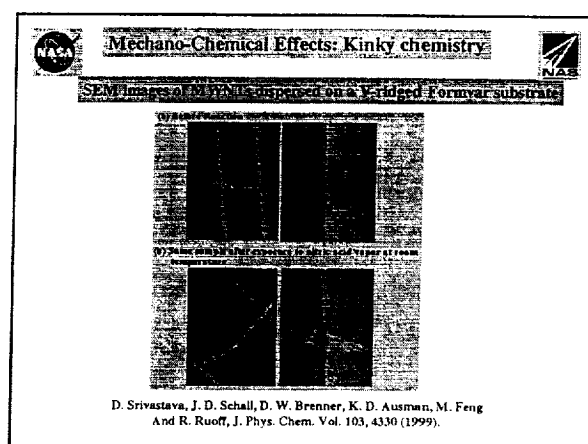
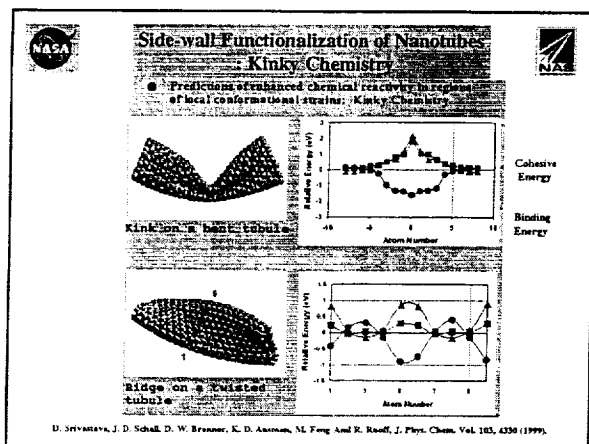


- Young's modulus of CNT composites 30% higher than polymer matrix
- Stretching treatments enhance Y by 50%

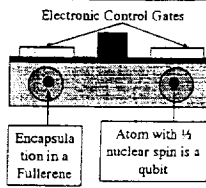
(L/D=2, Np=10)



T=50K, stress rate=1bar/ps



Solution: Use Encapsulated Atoms as Qubits !



Proposal: Arrays of "encapsulated" atoms (with $1/2$ nuclear spin – qubits) will be easy to fabricate as compared to the arrays of the similar bare atoms.

Example: ^1H encapsulated in C_{34}



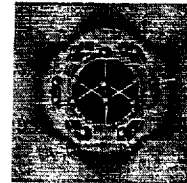
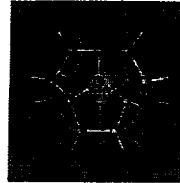
Electronic charge density shows a weak meta-stable state of ^1H at the center of C_{34}

Suitable Solid-state Qubits Identified:

- ^1H encapsulated in a $\text{C}_{34}\text{D}_{20}$ fullerene
- ^{31}P encapsulated in a diamond nanocrystallite

Charge Density of ^1H Encapsulated in $\text{C}_{20}\text{D}_{20}$

- The valance electron charge density of ^1H leaks out of $\text{C}_{20}\text{D}_{20}$ cage molecule. This is good and needed for neighboring qubit interactions.



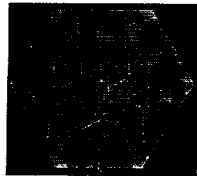
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Model 2: ^{31}P doped in Diamond or Silicon

- Weakly bound donor electron has strong S-like electronic charge density at the center, and a reasonable spread of the decay for off center positions



^{31}P in Diamond



^{31}P in Si

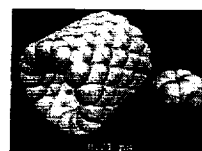
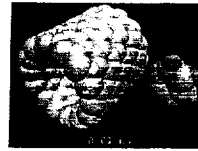
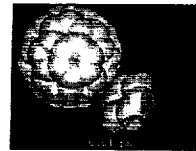
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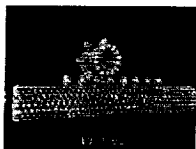
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